LOVE NEVER FAILS

I Corinthians 13:8

Everything that can be written about love has probably been said at some point. We all want it, we all need it, we all spend a great deal of time looking for it. Without it our lives are arid and soulless. Love changes everything. It changes us, it changes our relationships. Love is the presence of God, the Holy Spirit, within us. It is the opposite of hate and banishes all fear.

Most of us love only ourselves. We see the world and everything in it as existing for our convenience. Provided we have the big house, the fine car, the smart clothes, and so on, we can be happy and the rest of the world is irrelevant. It's a long way from our original purpose — to care for the earth and for all its creatures.

Only with love in our hearts can we truly care for others, for the earth and for all the creatures for whom we are responsible.

May God, in Jesus' name, grant us all that gift of being able to love.

Rev. Charity Benedicte

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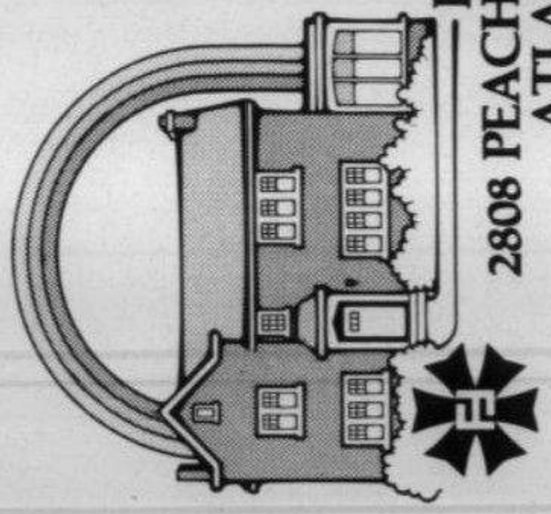

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LORD'S DAY CELEBRATION.

Our weekly worship service. Healing, praise, music, fellowship.

SUNDAY, 2-5PM.
HEALING PRAYERS.

A time set aside after the service for individual prayer and counseling with a minister.

THURSDAY, 12-1PM.
MEN'S BIBLE STUDY.

Study, praise and inner healing. With Rev. John Christopher. Please call for location.

THURSDAY, 7:30-8:30PM.
THE CIRCLE OF POWER.

The weekly prayer group for members of this Fellowship. Non-members welcome. Prayers for healing. With Rev. Raphael de Peyer.

THURSDAY, 8:30-9:30PM.
BIBLE STUDY.

Each week we look at a particular subject that affects the lives of all of us. With Rev. John Christopher.

GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST, 11AM-5PM.

The nature of the gifts and how the Lord has blessed you personally with His gifts. With Rev. Raphael de Peyer.

FEEDBACK

FREE LITERATURE

I would like to receive the following free literature.

- ☐ THE SECOND COMING
- ☐ GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
- ☐ JESUS LOVES YOU, SATAN, HATES YOU
- ☐ THE FOUNDATION FAITH SYMBOL
- ☐ FAITH, HOPE & HEALING (published in Creative Loafing)
- ☐ SPIRITUAL CONSULTATIONS
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- ☐ A WORD ABOUT LOVE
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- ☐ STATEMENT OF FAITH

WORKSHOPS

I am interested in the following workshops. Please contact me with details.

- ☐ GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT.

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

☐ I wish to join your international prayer fellowship, the Circle of Power. Enclosed is my love offering.

FAITH CASSETTES

Please send me the FAITH CASSETTES I have checked below. I enclose my check/money order for $5.50 for each half-hour cassette as a donation to your work.

- ☐ THE GIFTS OF HEALING — AN INTRODUCTION
- ☐ YOU ARE A CHANNEL FOR GOD'S HEALING
- ☐ THE GIFT OF FAITH

If you have checked any of the boxes above, please PRINT your name, address and phone number below, cut out this panel and mail it to: The Foundation Faith of God, PO Box 56411, Atlanta, Ga. 30343.

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TESTIMONY

I first heard that my old friend, Purificacion Canales, who lives in Honduras, had cancer three years ago.

In June my son visited me and told me that Purificacion, who is an elderly lady, was not expected to live longer than August.

It was about this time that I asked all my fellow members in the Circle of Power Prayer Fellowship to pray for Purificacion.

Well, she lived past August, but then seemed to relapse. She fell into a coma from which she was not expected to recover.

However, she did recover, by the grace of God, and when I visited my family at Christmas, she was able to walk, and though still weak and in need of God's healing she had made a remarkable recovery.

Marie Bendeck,
Atlanta, Ga.

I really do miss all of you (at "The Path of Life," U.S.P., Atlanta) very, very much. I mean that with all of my heart. I guess for the first time in my life I felt like I belonged.

John T.,
Petersburg, Va.

PRELUDE TO THE END

Rev. John Christopher

By television, radio and the newspapers, an enormous quantity of news comes at us every day. The sheer volume of it is almost overwhelming. What does it all mean? Standing back from the details, what is the overall picture that emerges?

We of The Foundation Faith of God believe that we are all living in the End Times: the Latter Days, described by Christ, and foretold by all the major prophets. This is the true back-drop against which to assess all the events we read about, or see on television news, or experience directly in our lives. The coming of the End is a fact; the basic fact which is central to everything that is happening. Only with that fact in focus is it possible to interpret world and national events with any clarity.

The coming of the End is a world-wide happening. It is an enormous drama which is being played out on the world stage. And within that immense drama, there are many themes being developed, many sub-plots and local variations of circumstance. And one of the themes which is present everywhere is division: separation and conflict.

NATO and the Russian-dominated Warsaw Pact are confronting each other with increasing antagonism. The West is increasingly divided within itself. And within the Russian empire separations and divisions are getting steadily wider. China is no friend to Russia.

Within the U.S.A., the nation is splintering into dozens of different interest-groups, to the point where the experts are wondering whether the country is governable under the existing system. Throughout Christendom many of the churches are divided; for example, the Catholic Church, which has maintained a unity for so many hundreds of years, is badly split on the issues of divorce and birth-control.

On the family level, divorce and the breakdown of the nuclear family provide painful examples of the separation and division that is apparent in every sphere of human activity. The examples of conflict are almost endless. For the great majority of human beings, separation and division and conflict are becoming more and more the dominant themes in life. Man-made conflict and separation — godless and therefore evil.

And at the same time, for those who put God first in their lives, the opposite is happening. True strength and purpose, true unity in the Lord, is bringing together those who reject godlessness, in service of the one true God.

NEWSBRIEFS

THE PRISON MINISTRY

Highlights of this ministry have included prayer meetings and a prayer breakfast conducted by Rev. Charity Benedicte and Disciple Bob Kellar at Columbia House half-way house for women. We give praise to the Lord for the response of all the residents and their faith in His healing power as manifest in their requests for healing prayers, not only for themselves but also for friends and relatives all over the country.

Despite the exodus of American inmates from U.S.P. Atlanta, dedicated Chaplain Charles Riggs has expressed his hope for the continuation of the Chaplain's program in its current form, including our "Path of Life" workshop, and it has been our great pleasure to continue to contribute to that program.

VALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION

The Lord has guided a special "Open House" celebration of the new center to be held on Valentine's Day, a Saturday, 5PM-8PM. We invite all our readers to join us in celebration of the gift of Faith Center.

MEDIA NOTES

Rev. John Christopher recently appeared on WLTA, Atlanta's largest FM station, discussing the Prison Ministry with host Jay Neely on "Assignment Atlanta." Meanwhile Rev. Raphael de Peyer and Rev. John Christopher continue to appear regularly on WAGA-TV's program, "Reflections," and we would like to extend our thanks to both stations.

BIRMINGHAM OUTREACH

Our January mission to Birmingham was, as always, most enjoyable. Our special thanks to Eva Snider for her hospitality, and to our many friends for their involvement in our work there. With an epidemic of flu raging in the area, prayers for healing were very much the order of the day! The program, conducted by Revs. Raphael de Peyer and Jana Bernadette, included our regular Sunday healing service, hospital visits and counselling. We very much look forward to our next visit on April 11th/12th, and Rev. Raphael de Peyer has the honor at that time of being invited to deliver the sermon at Unity.

THANK YOU

A VERY BIG THANK YOU

The period since we moved into Faith Center has been especially blessed. What has made it so has been the tremendous kindness and generosity that so many of you have demonstrated in helping us to become established in the new center and at the same time helping us to maintain our full spectrum of activities during this period of transition. Our thanks to many of you who donated generously at Christmas time when it was particularly needed because of our move.

A SMALL REQUEST

Faith Center still needs a whole variety of furniture and appliances. If you would like to help in filling these needs we ask you to call 237-6570 in order to discover what is still required, and God bless you for your help.

Rev. Raphael de Peyer,
Director

"...perfect love casts out fear..."
I John 4:18